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Attorney Docket No.: A-64077-2/RFT/RMS/DSSIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re application of:Reddy *et al.*

Serial No. 09/434,196

Filed: November 4, 1999

For: *Compositions and Methods Using  
Eukaryotic Rad52*

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the referenced patent application as follows. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including extension of time fees or other relief as may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-64077-2/RFT/RMS/DSS).

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 7-13 and 15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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1. (Amended) A composition comprising: [a complex of]
    - a) a first single stranded nucleic acid;
    - b) a second single stranded nucleic acid, wherein said first and second nucleic acids are complementary to each other; and
    - c) at least one recombinant [isolated] Rad52 protein from a higher eukaryote.

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